

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of Eddie
4 Lee Jefferson on February 16, 2002 at the age of 82; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Jefferson was born on January 15, 1921 in
6 Scotts, Alabama to Lovie and Thomas Jefferson; he was the
7 second to youngest boy of fifteen children; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Jefferson was employed with Burnside Steel
9 Foundry for 35 years, and retired in 1985; he was a veteran
10 of the United States Army and during World War II he
11 participated in the D-Day invasion and took part in the
12 liberation of France; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Jefferson united with Carter Temple CME
14 Church in 1964 and became a church steward; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Jefferson was affectionately known as
16 "Honey" to his friends and family; his passing will be deeply
17 felt by all who knew and loved him, especially his sister,
18 Roberta "Sis" Jefferson-Moore (James); his sons, Paul
19 Jefferson (Ann) and Derrick Jefferson (Toni); his daughters,
20 Edna Wilkins (James) and Bernadine Walker (Earl); his
21 stepsons, Levi Pinkston (Louvenia) and Charles Pinston
22 (Donna); and a host of grandchildren, great-granchildren,
23 nieces, and nephews; and

24 WHEREAS, Mr. Jefferson was preceded in death by his
25 parents, Lovie and Thomas Jefferson; his loving wife,
26 Savannah Ash; and eleven of his sibling; therefore, be it

27 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
28 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
29 we mourn the death of Eddie Lee Jefferson and extend our
30 sincere condolences to his family and friends; and be it
31 further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the family of Eddie Lee Jefferson with our
3 deepest sympathy.